WEST VIRGINIA BROADBAND DEPLOYMENT COUNCIL

Wednesday, July 13, 2011 @ 9:00 a.m.

The meeting of the West Virginia Broadband Deployment Council was held in Building 6, Room 6A on Wednesday, July 13, 2011, at 9:00 a.m.

The following members participated:

Erica Mani
Michael Kelemen
Lee Fisher
Kyle Schafer
Dr. Jan Fox
Ken Arndt (via phone)
Jimmy Gianato

Additional participants:

Andrea Rayl
Mark Polen
Mike Todorovich
James Patterson
Jonathan Cauldwell (via phone)
Paul Miller
Mike Hohn
Phil Weikle
John Dunlap
Roy Williamson
Juan Smarr
Billy Jack Gregg
Tom Susman
Tony Siemental
Jim Martin
LeeAnn Shreve
Kevin Lazor
Greg Florence
Brenda Williams
George Hohmann
Senator Bob Beach
Rob Sterner
Senator Bob Williams
Eric Eyre

After a quorum was established, Vice-Chair Mani welcomed the Council and called the meeting to order at 9:07am.

Business

Vice-Chair Mani asked for the approval of the minutes from the June meeting of the Broadband Deployment Council. The Council approved the minutes with no objection.

Other Business

Dr. Jan Fox presented the Council with a conceptual idea of a commercialization of the State's Broadband Map. The idea is that once a user puts in an address they would be shown what pricing is available from the provider/providers in their area.

Tony Siemental showed the Council some updates that have been made to the State's Broadband Map. Reference layers showing community anchor institutions, wire line coverage and a speed test have been added and will go live soon.

Lee Fisher updated the Council on the progress of the Grant Application Subcommittee. Kimball will draft the application and emergency rules which should be completed by the end of August. The subcommittee is suggesting that areas should be excluded from grant money if they have had build-outs financed by NTIA or build-outs that are currently in their capital plans or in plans that they have already presented to the PSC. The application should be a two-tier process, the 1st is a summary and then those that go forward will fill out more detailed application.

Colonel Todorovich gave the Council a financial update. For the year 2010 $226,446.52 was spent. In 2011 -$36,321 was spent. The 2010 expenditure was upfront money to help write grant which was reimbursed. The total amount or money available is $4,813,846.

John Dunlap spoke on the BTOP progress. Mr. Dunlap stated that the recovery website has been revamped, it is being updating daily and they are posting weekly status reports. They have submitted 176 Location construction requests (LCR) of which 102 have been fully approved with the average cost per build-out being $35600. Also, of the 1064 original anchor tenants, Mr. Dunlap and his team have identified 346 have fiber services so they are going back through their lists to verify their information is still accurate.

Presentations

Phil Weikle, Interim Chief Operations Officer, of the West Virginia Health Information Network (WVHIN) gave a history and function of the WVHIN. The WVHIN is a public private partnership formed to promote the design implementation, operation and maintenance of a fully interoperable network to facilitate public and private use of health

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care information. On August 15, 2011 two pilot sites (Wheeling and WVU Hospitals) will be implemented with quarterly roll outs to the rest of the state continuing from August 2012 through July 2014.

Public Comment

Jim Martin raised some concerns about the amount of money potentially left over after the State finishes its build.

Adjournment

The next meeting will be noticed for August 3, 2011, at 9:00 a.m. The meeting location, call-in number and agenda will be provided prior to the meeting.

With no other business, the meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.